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Plaintiffs respectfully move this Court, pursuant to F.R.Civ.P. 15(a) and 41(a)(2), for an order dismissing Count VIII of the Third Amended Complaint.

Count VIII asserts state-law claims based on the Washington State Securities Act, RCW 21.20.010. The Court declined to certify those claims as class claims, and accordingly they are currently asserted only on behalf of some of the Lead Plaintiffs. Order Denying Motion to Certify the State Claims Class dated January 6, 2009 [Dkt. #664].

The Lead Plaintiffs who still have claims under Count VIII wish to dismiss those claims, and the Class concurs with that request. If the claims remain in the case they will unnecessarily complicate the proceedings, and could lead to the admission of evidence that would be irrelevant to the federal claims and unreasonably prejudicial to the Class. The parties have concentrated virtually all of their efforts on prosecution and defense of the federal claims, and therefore PricewaterhouseCoopers ("PwC"), the only remaining defendant, will not be prejudiced by this dismissal.

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1	Accordingly, Plaintiffs respectfully urge the Court to grant this motio	
2	and dismiss Count VIII of the Third Amended Complaint.	
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and the Court being fully advised in the premises, it is hereby ORDERED that the motion is hereby granted and Count VIII of the complaint is hereby dismissed DONE IN OPEN COURT this \_\_\_\_ day of March, 2010. JUDGE FRED VAN SICKLE ORDER GRANTING PLTFS' MOTION TO DISMISS COUNT VIII OF THE THIRD AMENDED COMPLAINT - 2 of 2

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